

[0066] FIG. 41 is an explanatory view schematically showing symbol rows which are variably displayed on variable display portions,

[0067] FIG. 42 is an explanatory view showing a lottery table for the symbols which are stopped and displayed,

[0068] FIG. 43 is a flowchart of the main process program,

[0069] FIG. 44 is an explanatory view showing a lottery table for the symbol rows,

[0070] FIG. 45 is an explanatory view showing combinations of hypothetical reels used in the base game,

[0071] FIG. 46 is an explanatory view showing combinations of hypothetical reels used in the bonus game, and

[0072] FIG. 47 is an explanatory view of a lottery table for the symbol rows.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

[0073] Hereinafter, concerning with a gaming machine according to the present invention, an embodiment embodying the present invention in a slot machine will be described in detail with reference to the drawings. First, an outline construction of the slot machine will be described with reference to FIGS. 2 to 4. FIG. 2 is a perspective view of the slot machine. FIG. 3 is a front view of a control panel. FIG. 4 is a block diagram schematically showing a control system of the slot machine.

[0074] In FIG. 2, the slot machine 1 has a cabinet 2 which forms whole construction of the slot machine 1. At an upper position of a front plane of the cabinet 2, an upper liquid crystal display 3 is arranged and a lower liquid crystal display 4 is arranged on a device front panel 20 which is arranged at a center position of the front plane of the cabinet 2. Here, both the upper liquid crystal display 3 and the lower liquid crystal display 4 are constructed from liquid crystal display generally used. On the upper liquid crystal display 3, it is indicated information concerning with a game such as methods, kinds of winning combinations and payouts corresponding thereto and various effects. And on a surface of the lower liquid crystal display 4, a touch panel 121 is arranged. Further, on the lower liquid crystal display 4, credits are displayed and five variable display portions 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25 are basically displayed as shown in FIG. 2. On each of the variable display portion 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25, various symbols are variably displayed while being scrolled from an upper direction toward a lower direction, thereafter stopped and displayed.

[0075] Therefore, in the slot machine 1 of the embodiment, a slot game (there exist a base game and a bonus game) is conducted through a video reels which are realized by displaying variable display portions 21 to 25 on the lower liquid crystal display 4. In the slot game (there exist a base game and a bonus game), there exist three symbols stopped and displayed on each of the variable display portions 21 to 25. That is to say, as shown in FIG. 10, the variable display portions 21 to 25 are divided into first stop areas 211, 221, 231, 241, 251, second stop areas 212, 222, 232, 242, 252, and third stop areas 213, 223, 233, 243, 253. And the symbols are respectively stopped and displayed on the stop areas 211~213, 221~223, 231~233, 241~243, 251~253.

[0076] And in this slot game (base game and bonus game), there exist twenty-five pay lines, each spanning five stop areas among the stop areas 211~213, 221~223, 231~233, 241~243, 251~253. If each of the pay lines is activated and specific symbols are aligned with a specific display mode on the activated pay line when the symbols are stopped and displayed, a predetermined payout is given to the player. Here, each of the pay lines will be concretely described with reference to FIGS. 11 to 35. In FIGS. 11 to 35, one pay line is indicated by shaded portions.

[0077] That is to say, as shown in FIG. 11 by shaded portions, the first pay line L1 is formed from the second stop areas 212, 222, 232, 242, 252.

[0078] And as shown in FIG. 12 by shaded portions, the second pay line L2 is formed from the first stop areas 211, 221, 231, 241, 251.

[0079] And as shown in FIG. 13 by shaded portions, the third pay line L3 is formed from the third stop areas 213, 223, 233, 243, 253.

[0080] And as shown in FIG. 14 by shaded portions, the fourth pay line L4 is formed from the first stop areas 211, 221, 231, 241 and the third stop area 253.

[0081] And as shown in FIG. 15 by shaded portions, the fifth pay line L5 is formed from the first stop area 251 and the third stop areas 213, 223, 233, 243.

[0082] And as shown in FIG. 16 by shaded portions, the sixth pay line L6 is formed from the first stop areas 211, 221, 231, 241 and the second stop area 252.

[0083] And as shown in FIG. 17 by shaded portions, the seventh pay line L7 is formed from the second stop area 252 and the third stop areas 213, 223, 233, 243.

[0084] And as shown in FIG. 18 by shaded portions, the eighth pay line L8 is formed from the first stop areas 211, 221, 231, 251 and the second stop area 242.

[0085] And as shown in FIG. 19 by shaded portions, the ninth pay line L9 is formed from the second stop area 242 and the third stop areas 213, 223, 233, 253.

[0086] And as shown in FIG. 20 by shaded portions, the tenth pay line L10 is formed from the first stop areas 211, 221, 231 and the third stop areas 243, 253.

[0087] And as shown in FIG. 21 by shaded portions, the eleventh pay line L11 is formed from the first stop areas 241, 251 and the third stop areas 213, 223, 233.

[0088] And as shown in FIG. 22 by shaded portions, the twelfth pay line L12 is formed from the first stop areas 211, 221, 231, 151 and the third stop area 243.

[0089] And as shown in FIG. 23 by shaded portions, the thirteenth pay line L13 is formed from the first stop area 241 and the third stop areas 213, 223, 233, 253.

[0090] And as shown in FIG. 24 by shaded portions, the fourteenth pay line L14 is formed from the first stop areas 241, 251 and the second stop areas 212, 222, 232.

[0091] And as shown in FIG. 25 by shaded portions, the fifteenth pay line L15 is formed from the second stop areas 212, 222, 232 and the third stop areas 243, 253.